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The communication went on to say that the hope expressed was disappointed. The assembly declined to be a party to breaking the

DR. MOORE.

In view of the action of the late general assembly the directors went on to state constitutional and legal reasons for not continuing the old arrangement with the assembly. There was, they said, no provision in their compact for the principle of synodical or assembly supervision. The seminary could not rightfully give or the assembly rightly receive or exercise the veto power. The action of the general assembly at Portland they had taken legal advice, and they had no room to doubt that under the laws of New York state the attempted agreement of 1870 was beyond the power of the directors if they could not abdicate any of their duties in whole or in part. Therefore they were constrained to fulfill their rights which could neither be surrendered or shared. Regret was expressed at the refusal of the assembly to concur in this action, as such a concurrence would have done much to soften the past and relieve the present.

The communication then quoted resolutions adopted by the directors rescinding the resolution of May 16, 1870, providing for the suspension and annulling the arrangement then made, thus reinstating the relations which existed prior to May, 1870.

A FAILURE TO ARBITRATE.

Dr. Dixon then read the report of the five arbitrators appointed by the assembly as to the question whether the transfer of a professor from one chair to another is an appointment or a removal. This report showed that the five arbitrators had given due notice and sought to secure a meeting with the representatives of the seminary. Finally, on November 18 last, they had received a communication, stating that at since the meeting of the general assembly the board had rescinded the resolution of 1870. By this action they claimed the question whether a transfer is an appointment or a removal to them an open question; therefore no action on the part of their body was called for.

THE APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. BRIGGS.

Dr. Briggs reported that he had been appointed by the board of directors instead of suspending Mr. Briggs. This action was the more questionable because the assembly appointed at that time a committee of fifteen to confer with the directors of the seminary. This conference resulted in a practical failure, and then a year ago the assembly took issue with the statement that the extraordinary action of the board of directors is inexplicable to the assembly. The high character of the gentleman composing the board fully warranted the belief that so fair a proposition as to be treated in such a way. The assembly took issue with the statement that the other party could abrogate the agreement of 1870. No such right is expressed in the agreement, and in the nature of things no such agreement can be abrogated by one party without the agreement with the consent and against the expressed desire of the other party. The report reviewed the various proceedings leading up to the agreement of 1870 and recommended the charter of the seminary if the directors had asked for it. Because of the refusal of the directors to accept in return to remove Dr. Briggs, the refusal to arbitrate and an attempt on the part of the directors to abrogate the agreement of 1870, the report recommended that the assembly disavow all responsibility for the teaching of the Union Seminary and decline to receive any report from its board of directors until such relations are established as the assembly deems satisfactory. The committee further recommended that the board of education give aid only to students attending seminaries approved by the assembly.

THE REPORT ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT THE election of Rev. Charles A. Briggs, D. D., by the Presbyterian church, as director of the seminary, be disavowed. Theological Seminary at Bloomfield was disavowed by the assembly.

DISCUSSING THE REPORT.

After the reading of the report a motion was made that the report be accepted. A motion was also made that the report be adopted. Pending action Mr. Franklin Shepley expressed the hope that such a wise and temperate report on such a difficult and intricate question would be accepted.

Rev. Mr. Taylor of Athens, Ohio, asked if the commendation of the committee not to approve the action of Lane Seminary in continuing Rev. Dr. Smith as a professor was based on the charter.

DR. MAXWELL OF JUDICIARY COMMISSION.

The chairman said that the charter required at the professors be in good and regular standing in the church.

Dr. Smith was asserted that Dr. Smith was ill in the church.

There were protests from the floor at this statement, but Dr. Herrick Johnson was recognized and said the action of Union Seminary might seem to be unceremonious, but it could be met at the last assembly it was understood that no further action should be taken until the entire question of the compact was submitted to arbitration.

This statement was contradicted by Dr. Johnson, who said that the members of the committee showed no such understanding.

Dr. Johnson said of course not, and then went on to speak of the veto power of the

Dr. Duffield said that he opposed the report approving the action of the directors of Lane Seminary. The reasons stated in the report were not sound.

Dr. Smith was suspended as a member of the presbytery and from the ministry, but he was still a member of the assembly.

Rev. Dr. Robertson of New York said that it is the general understanding that the suspension from the ministry involved membership in the church.

The chairman of the committee, Rev. Dr. Dixon, said that the committee desired to meet the situation and concluded that this construction of the status of Dr. Smith was the proper one.

Mr. R. W. D. Bryan moved to lay the portion of the report relating to Lane Seminary on the table.

Rev. Dr. Moore, the permanent clerk, requested the privilege of the floor as a director of the seminary.

DR. BROWN OF NEW YORK THEN TOOK THE floor and said that no member of the directors of Union Seminary was on the floor. As a member of the faculty, he might be said to represent officially the seminary. He wished to rid the question of all personalities, yet, since the disposition of the judicial case, he could speak for his loved and revered friend and instructor, who had been so prominent before them. He would have nothing to say of the assistance received from the board of education; that was another phase of the case.

He then spoke of the independent origin of the seminary and then of its action in giving up the compact of 1870 for the reason that its rights had been invaded by the assembly. There was no spirit of animosity in this action, but a serious determination to do its duty according to the obligations laid upon it.

He then spoke of the first proposition for arbitration and said that the seminary understood that this was permanently withdrawn.

Rev. Dr. Roberts said that the original matter for arbitration was the concrete case of Dr. Briggs and not the abstract one of the relations between the assembly and the seminary.

He then quoted Johnson again said that he offered the original resolution, and he knew that it referred to the construction of the compact.

Dr. Brown then went on to say that the directors were not actuated in any spirit of haste

DAN. F. CILL, CLEVELAND.

or defiance. He said that the action of the minority committee in coming before the last assembly with a proposition for arbitration. The directors then thought that this action was of the undisturbable nature of the veto power, and such action should not be taken.

The directors hoped that the last assembly would agree to dissolve the compact in view of the undisturbable nature of the veto power, and no particulars of the relations. He characterized the action of the last assembly as abrupt. He said the board believed they had the right to withdraw from the compact and had done so. He wished it to be understood that he was making no apology for the seminary or any statement in its judgment.

Mr. Endaly asked if Prof. Brown understood that the compact was between parties competent to make an agreement.

Prof. Brown said that he was not a member of the board and therefore he thought he had better not go into that phase of the matter.

REV. DR. BOOTE.

Rev. Dr. Boote then took the floor and said that when the report was read he thought that it was a fair one. He was not now a member of the board of directors, but he had voted as a member against dissolving the compact. He then went on to say that Union Seminary approached the last assembly and invited the compact. He claimed that the transfer of a professor was the same as an appointment and such transfer had been made by the assembly. The board never made a protest against such action in the case of Dr. Schiff.

He protested against the action of the directors in dissolving the compact on the statements and without conference. He said that in view of the past relations this was not proper.

He asserted that this relationship had been an element in the financial growth of the seminary. He expressed the hope that the time would come when the assembly and seminary, in the same of doctrine and love, would again come together.

The previous question was called for, and the report was adopted by a voice vote.

INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE.

The committee on bills and overtures, Rev. Dr. Young, reported on the overtures of the presbyteries of Newark and St. Louis and memorials from some 300 ministers and elders reaffirming the deliverance of the last general assembly

THE STEENOGRAPHIC FOLLOWING THE SPEAKING on the subject of the inspiration of the scriptures; that they were without error; that the deliverance enunciates no new doctrine or imposes no new test of orthodoxy, but gives expression merely to what has always been the faith of the church.

A substitute was offered by Dr. Herrick Johnson which incorporated the language used in the standards of the church touching the subject to the effect that the Holy Scriptures are the very word of God, inspired by God, kept pure in all ages, so that they are authentic and the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

Dr. Johnson said that a certain theory of inspiration could not be insisted upon when the standards only required belief in the fact of inspiration. There was no means of determining now, for God cannot be bound by the standards, how the documents in matters purely circumstantial. He spoke of the discrepancies in the numbers recorded in Kings and Chronicles as being in the same battle and said that such an error did not impair the inspiration of the Bible. He did not believe in dogmatizing in matters about which he had no positive knowledge. He protested against an interpretation of the standards which they have never borne.

His time expired and he was unable to conclude.

A commissioner said that this matter of deliverances had been overdone. The deliverance of last year gave more trouble than the judicial case. He moved that the report be laid on the table.

Mr. Endaly moved that the substitute be laid on the table.

A vote was taken by a rising vote, and Dr. Johnson's substitute was laid on the table by a vote of 227 to 176.

DR. WINDHAM.

Mr. Shepley of Philadelphia offered a substitute resolution declaring that the standards of the church sufficiently express the doctrines of the church in reference to the inspiration of the Bible and that no deliverance on this subject is necessary.

A motion to lay the report on the table was carried by a vote of 213 to 194. The vote was standing on the Bible and there was a call for the yeas and nays, but the moderator declared it too late for such a call.

A FIRM STAND WANTED.

Dr. Windham then spoke of the one member of the committee on bills and overtures not present when the substitute now reported by the committee was agreed to, and he did not entirely approve of the substitute. He wanted a declaration such as he believed was required in this crisis. He wanted to stand firmly and unflinchingly on the eternal Word

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